## Job posting

**Type of position**
- ✗ scientific
- ☐ administrative

**Target group**
- ✗ graduates
- ☐ post docs
- ☐ other

**Title**
Research Associate m/f/d, Foundation Europa-Universität Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder), Faculty of Economics

**Institution**
The Foundation Europa-Universität Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder), Faculty of Economics, Kelso Professorship of Comparative Law, Eastern European Business Law and European Legal Policy (Prof. Dr. iur. Jens Lowitzsch) invites applications for the third-party funded position of

**Position**
Research Associate m/f/d (Kenn-Nummer 1250-20-02) (up to salary group 13 TV-L, working time half of the regular time, currently 20 hours per week).

The employment contract will be for a fixed 12-month term starting at the earliest possible date and ending not later than 31 December 2021. The contract may be subject to prolongation depending on available funding (pending Horizon 2020 application; decision expected for Winter 2020/21).

**Background:**
A consortium of 14 organisations from five EU Member states, coordinated by the European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder), has been awarded a grant by the European Union in the context of the Horizon 2020 programme for the implementation of the 3-year project “Supporting Consumer Ownership in Renewable Energy” (‘SCORE’) (budget of EUR 1.99 million). Horizon 2020 is the financial instrument implementing the Innovation Union, a Europe 2020 flagship initiative aimed at securing Europe's global competitiveness.

**SCORE:**
- facilitates consumers to become prosumers (= producers of their own Renewable Energies (RE)), firstly in the three pilot regions in Italy, Germany and the Czech Republic, secondly in cities across Europe following the pilot projects. To this end, it applies the so-called Consumer Stock Ownership Plans (CSOPs) as established and inclusive best practice financing techniques and combined with energy efficiency measures.
- activates local authorities and consumers in demonstrating the positive impact of co-ownership on consumer behaviour. It shows the ability of this democratic participation model to
include women as well as low-income households, in particular unemployed, in decision-making processes.
• empowers consumers and municipalities in a capacity-building program through the launch of an interactive online “RE Prosumer Investment Calculator” and workshops in the five partner countries (DE, IT, BG, PL, CZ).
• formulates policy recommendations to promote prosumership and to remove barriers for consumers to become active market players at the EU and national levels.

Responsibilities
Your duties will include:
• Scientific research activities in the fields of financial participation, renewable energies, energy law, property law, competition law and related issues in economics within the Horizon 2020 SCORE Project;
• Communication and networking with SCORE partners and other potential partners in this research field;
• Project management within the Horizon 2020 SCORE project: planning and organising project resources, including staff; ensuring that all the aims of the project and quality standards are met; risk management; monitoring sub-contractors to ensure guidelines are maintained; cooperating with the financial officer who oversees accounting and billing; reporting to the EU Commission or supervisors on progress, maintaining documentation; evaluating the success of the project against its benchmark;
• Coordination of future project proposals (e.g., Horizon Europe and LIFE programme).

Requirements
Your profile includes:
• University degree (minimum Master’s level);
• Affinity with energy transition issues, energy research and scientific research;
• Excellent communication skills in written and spoken language (English near to native level, preferably native speaker, good command of German), knowledge of other European languages is an advantage;
• Experience in the development, implementation and documentation (including reporting) of interdisciplinary projects, in terms of project management;
• Experience in the editing of publications as regards content, style and layout, preferably in the field of consumer financial participation in renewable energies;
• Experience in the cooperation of and provision of consultancy services to universities, politics and business is an advantage;
• Excellent computer skills (MS Office);
• Confident and communicative manner in professional environment and public;
• Excellent team working and interdisciplinary comprehension;
• High motivation, flexibility, willingness to travel.
Please send your application with the above-mentioned reference number and the usual documents (cover letter, curriculum vitae, university transcripts/grading sheet, further references) as a PDF file by November 24, 2020 by e-mail to kelso-professorship@europa-uni.de. The file will be deleted immediately after completion of the selection procedure.

As part of its gender equality concept, the Foundation Europa-Universität Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder) has set itself the strategic goal of increasing the proportion of women in research and teaching and participates in the DFG's research-oriented gender equality standards. We therefore expressly invite female scientists to submit applications. Female applicants may contact the Equal Opportunities Officer (www.europa-uni.de/gleichstellung). The University supports its members in balancing work and family life. It offers family-friendly study and working conditions. Further information can be found under: www.europa-uni.de/familie.

People with disabilities are given priority if they are equally eligible and qualified. It is advisable to point out a possible disability already in the application.

We offer you:
• Holistic tasks at a lively university with an international profile in the heart of Europe;
• A constant professional and interdisciplinary exchange, especially in Eastern Europe;
• Regular and collegial orientation by managers oriented on a cooperative approach;
• A family-friendly university with a high life balance factor;
• Flexible working time models with a large degree of individual responsibility;
• Health management (health courses or physiotherapy treatments with time off work);
• Additional pension plan via the VBL;
• Offers of professional training and further education.

For inquiries regarding the position please contact kelso-professorship@europa-uni.de.